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APPLE PRODUCTION, BY VARIETIES, BY AREAS,  
1947 and 1948

Commercial apple production for 1948 is forecast at 100,445,000 bushels -- 11 percent less than the 1947 crop and 13 percent less than average. This report includes preliminary estimates for the principal apple varieties by regions for 1948 and the revised estimates for 1947.

SUMMER VARIETIES: Summer apples are indicated to total 5,411,000 bushels -- 26 percent less than the 1947 summer crop. California Gravensteins at 2,041,000 bushels account for 38 percent of the summer crop this year. Last year California Gravensteins turned out 4,211,000 bushels and were 57 percent of the United States summer crop.

FALL VARIETIES: This group at 14,214,000 bushels, comprises 14 percent of the 1948 commercial crop. Prospective 1948 production of the important fall apples and changes from last year are as follows: Jonathan 7,046,000 bushels, 16 percent less, Wealthy 2,330,000 bushels, 8 percent more; and Grimes Golden 2,186,000 bushels, 8 less.

WINTER VARIETIES: At 80,820,000 bushels, this group includes 80 percent of the 1948 commercial crop. In 1947 winter apples totalled 90,193,000 bushels -- also 80 percent of all varieties. Delicious are indicated at 17,496,000 bushels -- 22 percent of the winter apple total and 17 percent of all commercial apples. In 1947 Delicious totalled 24,512,000 bushels -- 22 percent of the commercial total. The Western States have prospects for 14,356,000 bushels -- 30 percent less than last year.

Winesap is the second variety in importance. A large crop of 13,005,000 bushels is in prospect compared with last year's total of 11,884,000 bushels. The West expects 10,976,000 bushels of Winesaps compared with 10,514,000 bushels last year. McIntosh is third in importance with 9,378,000 bushels estimated for 1948 -- 2 percent less than the 1947 crop. McIntosh are far the most important variety in the Northeast and are of little importance outside of the Northeast, Michigan and Montana. Rome Beauty is estimated at 6,772,000 bushels -- 1 percent larger than last year. Production is less than last year in the Central and Western regions but more in the East.

A short crop of Baldwins is in prospect -- 2,611,000 bushels compared with 5,119,000 bushels in 1947. Baldwins are grown mostly in the North Atlantic States. Northern Spy are forecast at 1,555,000 bushels -- 25 percent less than last year. This variety is grown almost entirely in the North Atlantic and North Central States.

Production of other leading varieties and changes from last year are indicated as follows: Yellow Newtown 4,578,000 bushels, down 6 percent; York Imperial 6,052,000 bushels, up 50 percent; Rhode Island Greening 1,816,000 bushels, down 25 percent; Stayman 4,235,000 bushels, up 8 percent; Golden Delicious 2,312,000 down 22 percent. Ben Davis and Gano 2,296,000 bushels, up 2 percent; Cortland 1,641,000 bushels, down 19 percent; and Black Twig 535,000 bushels, down 7 percent.



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COMMERCIAL APPLES: PRODUCTION BY VARIETIES, BY AREAS, 1947 AND 1948

Varieties	Total States : 1947 : (Prelim.):	North Atl. : 1948 : (Prelim.):	South Atl. : 1947 : (Prelim.):	Central States : 1948 : (Prelim.):	Western States : 1948 : (Prelim.):
SUMMER VARIETIES:					
Gravenstein	4,423	2,249	169	---	4,254
Other Summer	2,936	3,162	884	1,452	2,100
Total Summer Varieties	7,359	5,411	1,053	1,452	4,480
FALL VARIETIES:					
Grimes Golden	2,369	2,186	342	758	90
Jonathan	8,349	7,046	436	310	4,111
Wealthy	2,158	2,330	1,097	44	27
Other Fall	2,613	2,652	814	500	803
Total Fall Varieties	15,489	14,214	2,689	1,612	5,031
WINTER VARIETIES:					
Baldwin	5,119	2,611	4,002	2,167	---
Ben Davis and Gano	2,253	2,296	930	907	342
Black Twig (Paragon)	575	535	210	111	64
Cortland	2,026	1,641	1,914	1,541	---
Delicious	24,512	17,496	1,509	1,205	---
Golden Delicious	2,968	2,312	451	330	14,356
McIntosh	9,566	9,378	7,922	8,007	605
Northern Spy	2,069	1,555	1,249	871	294
R.I. Greening	2,432	1,816	2,262	1,620	---
Rome Beauty	6,697	6,772	1,878	1,967	3,537
Stayman	3,917	4,235	1,607	1,322	450
Winesap	11,884	13,005	85	100	10,976
Yellow Newtown 1/	4,841	4,578	---	280	4,121
York Imperial	4,031	6,052	1,143	2,690	20
Other Winter	7,303	6,538	1,572	1,517	3,660
Total Winter Varieties	90,193	80,820	26,741	22,802	512
Total All Varieties	113,041	100,445	30,483	27,067	10,514
1/ Yellow Newtown same as Albemarle Pippin.					4,561

Thousand bushels